## THE ART OF SINGING

MADAME MARCHESI, THE SINGING TEACHER, TALKS ABOUT IT.

She Laments the Modern Tendency to Haste and False Methods, and Fears the Results.

HOW GOOD VOICES ARE RUINED

IMPOSSIBLE AND FOOLISH DEMANDS BY MISGUIDED PARENTS.

Suggestion Made that All Singing Teachers Be Licensed in Order to Lessen Voice Wrecking.

Correspondence of the Indianapolis Journal. form of progression in art, as well as in life, throughout my successful and, I hope, somewhat useful career, one-sidedness is

not among my faults. Thank the Lord, my house and my school are to-day, as always, the prettier, the Emperor William I. As a contradiction livelier and the merrier for bright, youth- to an impresion which has become genful faces. I crying over tempi passati? eral, it is remarked by a prominent his-Perish the thought. It would be against have been without a Bismarck but could my principles as a teacher, for I am of not have been without Emperor William. opinion that one ought to live for and in the German dream of unity and independthe present, accepting from the past only such principles, ideas, achievements and kingdoms which constitute it to-day were traditions that have stood the test of time and endured on account of their inherent | They had been ground between the millbeauty and truth to nature.

This paper, dealing with some of the voice culture for opera and concert, will concern itself exclusively with singing instructions for young ladies and women.

from hundreds of loving mothers and guardians-and letters by the thousandexplaining that the visitor or writer has a daughter, young friend or relative-always reer on the stage or concert hall within a year's time-that means, deducting vacations, within ten months. If I could get | Hohenzollern of the conventional type, this stupid notion out of people's heads, how much time I could save, how many more really good singers there would be! This one-year-or-ten-months-is-enough notion is the sorriest error met with by every reputable teacher of singing, and the com-

VOICE AND INSTRUMENT. I one asked an American woman if she thought Paderewski or Hofmann had had the effrontery to face the public after one year's study. I inquired whether she was naive enough to suppose that her son, after a twelve months' instruction, could play | she had to take in the third act that she the first violin, or the second, in a notable orchestra.

Yet the piano, the violin, the harp, which nobody would undertake to master in less than half a lifetime, are tangible things, open to examination inside and out. When learning or performing the player may correct himself at the moment of taking a false note; he has ocular proof of his mistake. His senses of hearing, of touch and of sight all help him. The voice, on the other hand, is a purely physical instrument, about whose inner workings the beginner, and, indeed, many singers, have not the slightest notion.

"I will give you from now till spring to make Mary perfect in her chosen art," say these mammas, and many not only express it as a wish, but demand that the impossible be done, seeing that they are able to pay for the teacher's trouble.

Sometimes I lose patience, and, instead of argument, offer the lady the business directory, or a trade paper, wherein numerous "teachers" of the quick-and-sure kind advertise, and what is intended for sarcasm is not unfrequently accepted as sound

Every little while one of these hurriedlymatured "singers" is brought to me after "finishing" her studies under an accommodating master, who guaranteed to complete her voice culture in less time than it takes to learn dancing or skating.

MUCH DAMAGE IS DONE. In nine cases out of ten the girl is dis for a woman contemplating to take up singing as a profession. But, bad as it is, it is nothing to the moral impairment she has suffered.

The tricks she learned in the year wasted will not down. She may be willing enough to submit to sound, progressive, scientific methods, she may now have the utmost respect for the slow, despised course, but the charlatanry inoculated in her will always prevent her from responding readily to the new school's rules and regulations. picion that one can get along without laborious preparations, that a singer may jump into the arena and become celebrated

in a night if she has but voice enough. Such mistrained pupils hate the very method necessary to save their voice and secure for them some kind of a respectable career, just as a baby hates the bitter med-

For the teacher the situation is no girl who thinks she knows it all: "Wrong again, my dear," or "This will never do. or "That is one of the principal defects of your voice." Yet I have to say that daily and hourly. I must forever harp in such a pupil's lack of knowledge and understand-

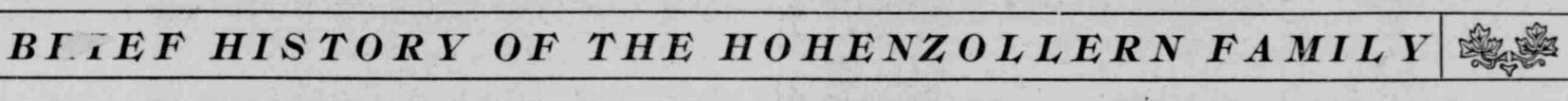
But, on the other hand, there are likewise girls truly in love with their art, who take willing but eager to forget what they ought to forget. These I love, and to help them along and increase their enthusiasm I am willing to sacrifice time and patience, for It is quite evident that they will succeed. WHO THE CROAKERS ARE.

As to the woman always lamenting the decline of the art of singing-they are usually of the other sort. False ambition, unfriends placed them on the stage before the minister of public instruction, or the their education was one-quarter finished. They are failures-all the world tells them | mission for examining would-be singing girl from the bottom of my heart who must all the voice wreckers now preying upon rush through her studies to make a living. | foolish young women and doting mammas, She seems foredoomed to cruel disappoint- but am quite sure that it would remedy

Here is one case out of a hundred: Mile. | at least.







zollern family, because the prince represents the Kaiser, the head of that famous family of German rulers. The Hollenzollerns undoubtedly deserve to rank highest of all the kingly families of Europe, their name having been written more conspicuously on its pages for the past thousand years than that of any other single family. Prince Henry is a marked contrast in disposition to his imperious brother. He is an admiral in the German navy and

The coming visit of Prince Henry of Prus-

sia has awakened interest in the Hohen-

possesses the medal for distinguished service, won by unusual bravery and coolness in action. He commenced his nautical career at a very early age and has been for twenty years a sailor. "Unser Heinrich," as he is called, is about forty years old, and is much more of a favorite in Germany than is the Kaiser. It has been said that he cannot leave Kiel, where his present position in the navy compels him to reside, without special consent of the Emperor. Prince Henry was the favorite grandson of Queen Victoria, whom PARIS, Jan. 28.-Is the art of singing on he delighted to visit, and was also the best the decline? A teacher of my long ex- beloved child of the Emperor Frederick perience might be sorely tempted to answer and his imperial consort. His valor and this question by fulsome praise of the good hardihood form the theme of many oft old times, but, having stood for every told stories among the men of his command and the Prussians who love most to honor him.

The prince or Emperor who would live up to the highest Hohenzollern standard must be both great as a warrior and great as a man. The greatest of all the Hohenzollens was the grandfather of Prince Henry, torian that the Germany of to-day might wanquished and sorrowful at the time Villiam I ascended the throne of Prussia. stones of other powers for centuries. The war with France, which led to the coronation of William I as Emperor of United shortcomings of the present methods of Germany, in the palace of the French kings at Versailles, brought about the

molding for centuries. William I. was the descendant of a long In the course of the year I receive calls line of great ancestors and was endowed with a character, which, but for a few achieve distinction. the pinnacle of worldly fame gradually, it is true, and not without grave set-backs but his career, after his return to Prussia a genius-who must be prepared for a ca- from exile, into which he had been driven was one of continually rising progress. The father of Prince Henry, the beloved Frederick, seems scarcely to have been a

having been too ideally romantic and cos-

zollern, in disposition, if not in achievezollern of note. He was a certain Count Thassilo, who lived about the beginning of the ninth century. The count founded castle near Hechingen on the Zollern Heights, whence his descendants derived

KAISERS SONS unification of the empire which had been PRINCE HENRY mopolitan of sentiment for such distinction. The present emperor is a typical Hohen-GROUP OF GERMAN ROYALTY

of her part in an opera after the initial performance. How did it happen? The poor girl was so afraid of a certain note lost control of her voice the minute she stepped before the footlights.

pseudo-instructor, or left school too early, finishing her education" with some quickand-sure artist. If Mile. X. had listened to conscientious master, or mistress, who never fails to insist upon energetic vocalization until the pupil is entirely sure of her registers, and until their mechanism works to perfection-if she had listened and worked as directed, she would not have known the feeling of anxiety that spoiled her career. She would have been self-reliant at, and before, the crucial moment. Of course, vocalization is tiresome, is an- | THE YOUNG MAN WITH BRAINS noying, so is learning to read and write, but such knowledge is necessary to one's

GOOD TEACHERS ARE RARE. ures on the stage and concert platform, it debutantes are to blame. There is a growguage has diminished during the past ten years or more, and musical art is the loser. This should not be, and seeing that music plays so large a part in polite life and in

what I am going to say. The defect or lack complained of is caused by the preponderance of improperly trained instructors, so-called, screening their ignorance behind false, dangerous and absolutely objectionable "special methods." This sort of thing ought to be stopped and the people who pay for musical education can stop it if they want to. The press and all against pseudo-teachers' voice-breaking and career-wrecking eccentricities, their gam-

the life of people generally. I ask the

friends of the noble art to consider well

bling with pupils' chances for success. In some countries persons are not allowed to teach the piano unless they pass an examination. Why should every Tom, Dick and Harry be allowed to spoil my, or your, or your daughter's voice? A teacher who respects himself and knows that he stands on firm musical ground will not object to put his ability to the test before a properly organized board of judges. I demand a state examination for singing teachers.

A girl or woman preparing for a stage caact science; it rests on certain principles.

PROVE YOUR CASE. Of the already established teachers only such should be allowed to continue in the business who are able to produce several | the in the coming years without the genius pupils who sing with well-regulated breath, without effort, without ranting, without over, the pupils should pronounce well, should have good style and should not profession, for instead of teaching voices

interior, be called upon to sit on the com-

I am not vain enough to think that my the danger complained of to some extent,

X. is sent home from rehearsal or deprived | Believe me, nature is as liberal as ever | man.

much beautiful material goes to wreck and ruin is the fault of ignorance, self-adulation, foolishness and flightiness on the one hand and charlatanry and down-right fraud on the other. Stop these unneces-That singer was either humbugged by a sary evils and the world will again see Jenny Linds, Pattis and Neilsons.

Let it be understood, though, that even the best of teachers cannot always guarantee success. Success as a singer depends on a great many circumstances; above all, on an individuality rich in talents and not lacking in physical attractiveness. The girl who wants to be a prima donna must love her art better than anything else in the world and must have magnetism.

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He Can Put Them to Profit by Help-

ing Other Men to Advertise.

But in justice to the numerous recent fail- Truman A. De Weese, in February Forum, Under the new system the producer will is only right to say that others besides the talk to thousands at a time instead of employing a drummer to talk to each person ing scarcity of good teachers. The old ones | individually. How is he going to do it? are dying out, and their successors seem | Through the printed catalogue, the artistic unduly imbued with the get-rich-quick booklet, the attractive poster, the pages of movement that has taken hold of all the magazines and weekly periodicals, the classes. Particularly the number of teach- columns of the daily press, and the thouers capable of giving satisfactory instruc- sands of ingenious and unique devices for tion in classic songs in their original lan- catching the public eye, designed by the

> Who will furnish the ideas for this new and vast twentieth-century system of pub ideas. It is no place for a mere copyist, a mere thinker of thoughts that were thought by others long ago. No compiler, collator, participate in this contest. The competition is investing a million in advertising will scent a mildewed idea from afar. He wil have none of it. What he buys must drop clean-milled, new, and bright from the mint of genius. It must have the ring of the pure metal, with no "dull thud" business about it. A man might make the finest soap and the best starch on earth; but if the people are not willing to be soaped with that particular soap or starched with that particular starch, what profit is there in it to the producer?

> It is true that the profession of advertising has always engaged the talent and energy of some of the brightest minds in the but the work of the past masters in publicity will seem small and commonplace compared with what will be demanded by the era of industrial combination and trade expansion upon which we are now entering Thousands of "good things" are slumbering in the intellects of men-mechanical inventions, chemical compounds, toys for chilgood magazine or newspaper advertisement will not answer the purpose. It calls for a genius who can originate and work

out the entire publicity scheme. Humanity will wear more shoes and farmers will use more wagons in 1902 than ever before in the history of the race; but of publicity. He must call to his aid the men of ideas, men who are masters of the art of presenting forcefully and effectively to the millions of consumers the merits of twentieth-century profession of publicity thought and energy of men of talent and vising of an original, skillful and successupon the market will command a fee that golden opportunity offered by twentieth century industrial evolution and expansion "the young man with nothing but

Case of Prejudice.

Chicago Tribune. "Will all those in the audience who wish to go to heaven please rise?" asked the Everybody rose except one young man.

"I'm not particularly anxious to meet Jack Biddle," sullenly answered the young | there.

TAKES SODA WATER ONLY.

Why He Has Saved His Money and Will Buy a Real Gold Bangle and a Real Gold Watch Fob.

"By thrift and temperance," said one of a quartet of men sitting at a table in the cafe of one of the local hotels, "I have saved enough coin to buy one real gold

other of the party.

"I wouldn't be surprised."

In the city where these medals are to be de- here? Get my clothes and let me go.' livered there is a man that handles my line who is prouder of his capacity for liquor | "He grinned and told me how it was. It than of anything else he has. If any man | seems that the afternoon before, as he was him, but not otherwise. Until three weeks rolling along the sidewalk and finally fall ago I couldn't sell a dollar's worth of goods ing and far into the afternoon. We drank | 'Now, you stay here for two or three days, and I forgot myself.

"When I woke up I found myself in bed. here right away,' I thought, and looked to | nothing the matter with me now. it struck me that there might be something I've seen a few in my time,' he said. serious the matter with me that I didn't

able to keep that story going. is most satisfactory." The waiter gathered

"Well you can imagine how I felt. Lying "My friend," said the evangelist, "may I got through talking to me my face was the office they told ask your reason for not wanting to go | the color of a red barn and I would have | home. I went on about my business and | lifted the thing bodily and pulled him out, | Repute credits him with a very sharp sense jumped into a river if there had been one the next day I called for the man again. all he did was to screw his fists into his of business. For reasons of his own he

to overflowing. Later in the day, I think, | been?' we can move you into a private room.

said. Then she got busy with a bottle and I to a box party at the theater and I went a glass and framed up a dose for me. | there. I got to bed about midnight." 'Now,' she said, 'raise yourself and take | "He took it all in. I asked him where he this.' She put her arm under my neck and | had gone, and he said he had been very helped me up on my elbow as if I were sick. He thought I was about the most so weak with fever that I couldn't move. | wonderful man he ever saw, and I sat you your breakfast soon-some eggs and | there is of the story."

toast and coffee. The doctor says you can "Say, boys, you can guess what kind of a | tet. bangle and one real gold watch fob, and state I was in then. I felt like a lobster-a and then she went out. She hadn't been | with the real gold bangle and the real gold | quires a modern relevancy quite striking. "Somebody save your life?" put in an- gone over five minutes when the doctor watch fob. Furthermore, I'm going to Bait gathering seems to be one of the leadgling, but I was ashamed to look him in the | for three." "Pull you out of the river or buy you a face. He came up to my bed and said. 'How are you, old man?' I said, 'Look here,

HOW HE HAD ARRIVED. can drink more than he can, he respects | coming into the hospital, he saw a man I wasn't a common drunk, and he thought restoratives into me. He ended up with.

head and looked around and saw that my there'll be telegrams flying all around this quite gone. It is possible to discriminate keen practice. When this process sifts all right and I guessed that I had been my clothes, doc, and let me go. Heaven's Thus a brainless falcon was put in a cage with anything to sell have some chance of doctored over night. 'I got to get out of sake! Have a little pity on a fellow. There's

"'You have just escaped about the worst side of the bed. No clothes there. Then case of alcoholic poisoning I ever saw, and

"Just then that girl came in with my over and rubbing my hands over myself like that before. It was the prettiest, the to see if I was bandaged or in plaster some | most artistic breakfast ever put on a tray. you?' I twisted my head around and there | the nurse had fun with me. They tried to white apron and a white cap that had just | When I got through eating I laid down the | of the same automatic character. This is At this point in the narrative one of the | Everything had a tag on it and the number auditors interrupted with an exclamation of my bed. I couldn't tell my name when demonstrates his disgust of science in preof "Back!" and called a waiter, they had brought me in. They told me to cisely the same fashion, and this whether more of ground, approached often by a toward the glasses. "Wait a minute," they left the room I rolled out, jumped who are interested in such matters will find added the man that nodded, and then to into my clothes and chased out into the the latest results summed up in Dr. Jacques ings vary in size and style, but the kind is the story-teller, "You'd better have some- hall. There I ran into them and they held Loeb's capital book on the comparative thing stronger than water or you won't be | me up. I made them go to the office with me, and there I got my watch and money. this story is the straight truth, and I and thanked them as well as I could. The that stuff in the last three weeks to keep a | but she didn't say a word about the cause up the glasses and went away, and the tale | quickly as I could after learning how to MAKING IT STRONG

their patronymic. In the eleventh century the family became split into two branches. The representative of the younger branch who was the first burgrave of Nuremberg, purchased the margravate of Brandenburg from the impecunious Holy Roman Emperor Sigismond and founded the family From this occurence on, the family of Hohenzollern supplies us with a series of

extraordinary instances of the transmis- BAIT FOR NATIVE CONFIDENCE sion of certain mental and moral traits from generation to generation, which have been a part of the bone and sinews of the race for the last eight hundred years.

The Hohenzollerns are of Suabian origin and that region has a well-established reputation for being the home of canniness and thrift. These traits have been Hohenzollern line as to make the exception almost more forcibly illustrate the rule. It is true that the first genius who appeared in the line of descent, Frederick the Great, was an exception, but even he, although possessed of extravagant quali- Correspondence of the Indianapolis Journal. ties, used his ingrained canniness to acquire the title of King of Prussia from of the English as of any other people that the impecunious Emperor Leopold. Since | wherever they go they take their country that occurrence each succeeding Hohenzollern has added his mite toward upbuilding the power of Prussia, whilst other royal and thoroughly practical as to its business houses gained power by the help of the

French against their own people. the past, and not more particularly in regard to what they did than to what they purposely refrained from doing. It may by their virtues and their shortcomings they were far superior to the occupants of other themselves true to the greatest motto of them all-that the king is first servant of the state. It was the constant ambition of these sovereigns to work out the deple have always felt from the humblest upwards. No better example of this fact threatened to expropriate him unjustly, 'There are still judges in Berlin, your

of the last century were introducing compulsory education amid the derisive sneers of rival nations and abolishing serfdom peasant farmers to exist by means of government loans. At the beginning of the twentieth century we find them breaking and economic measures for the welfare of

As ever, the present representative of the privileged persons, but in a sovereign people who deserve the greatest solicitude of power over them. It is the response of the people to the Hohenzollerns that enables Germany to face her enemies in arms and stant readiness to do so.

had to put you in a ward, but we are full he saw me he gasped, 'Where have you

"'I've been around here,' I said. 'Where "'Private room,' I said. 'Private room. did you go that afternoon?' he asked. What do I want with a private room? I've | 'Well, after you slipped away from me,' I ADVENTURE OF A MAN WHO NOW got to get out of here. Where am I, any- said, 'I went to my hotel and took a little nap, and then I went to fill a dinner en-"'Why, you're in the City Hospital,' she | gagement. After that I had an invitation

"And if we don't believe it, of course we

came. I was so impatient that I was wig- | throw in a little dinner and a theater party | ing industries.

"No, not either of those things. I'll tell doctor, I've got no right here and I want | pledge. I guess that'll be about all this other comment than that Singapore suffers you how it was-a mighty peculiar thing. to get out right away. How did I get in evening." Whereupon the quartet rose and from them. Said the senior in one of the took its coats and hats and passed out of most prominent and most respected En-

### BIRDS WITHOUT BRAINS.

Investigation of "Mental" Action and the Inevitable Conclusions.

condition. An ingenious German has cut do us. He has put thousands a year to "Two or three days! I said. 'Well, I | things a healthy normal pigeon can do. resolves itself into a contest, from which moved the falcon jumped for it and caught | until they equal the average it. There the act ended. The normal falcon | Prices must offset not only extortion but pays no more attention to its captured lower orders have shed a deal of light on the obscure phenomena of "mental" action. views. For if the larger part of bodily acsimple mechanical responses to appropriate seldom think it worth while to chase bad one, are driven to find "reason" in the kick | trict disclose the real charm of living here, he have a brain to think about it or has winding private lane, opening from the physiology of the brain.

### On the City's Edge.

folk lore of the waterfront. How, for another instance, Sciplo Flanagan, "the biggest nigger in the business," supported the entire weight of an immense packing case, occupy such houses. How they manage it me again, and got out of the place as | weighing upwards of eighteen hundred, on his prostrate body. The negro held the hand truck to receive the case, which, in the hands of half a dozen men, was being balanced at just the right angle to slip into place. But it hit the edge of the truck and knocked it away, and the negro unluckily eyes like a big child, stretch his long limbs He was in, but he looked as if he had just grotesquely and return to work. Of course "'I'm awfully sorry,' she said, 'that we come out of a six-day bicycle race. When he taiked about this feat for many a day. poreans. His charges are 11/2

# DEBT-MADE GENTILITY

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In Singapore a Good Outward Show Is Essential, Both in a Business and Social Way.

A WELL-ESTABLISHED CREDIT SYS-TEM AIDS THE SOJOURNER.

possessed so generally by rulers of the If He Does Not Pay Eventually Amount Is Added to Other People's Bills -An American's Slip.

> SINGAPORE. Jan. 1.-It is quite as true with them. So a visitor to Singapore may be prepared to find a settlement compact section, branching off in broad, smooth

To understand correctly the position of roads, bordered with trees, playgrounds the Hohenzollerns to-day one must study and clubs within easy access when work hours are over, and spacious dwellings, flanked by lawn and shade. Singapore is justly be asserted that weighed impartially specially favored in these respects and pleases the eye at every turn with remind-European thrones. The court of the Hohen- ers of suburban and rural life at home. zollerns was peculiarly clean and free from | It almost goes without saying that Engveniality or worse taint. But freedom from lishmen would not come to a corner of Asia rascality was not the only conspicuous for such life, if they could get it in a corner of the British Isles. There are exceptional men sent out to look after important interests, whose talents might envelopment and welfare of the nation inde- | title them to a good place anywhere. Aspendent of class dictinctions. This the peo- signment to these parts compensates the assignee by transfer from a junior office could be given than the reply of the miller | at home to seniority here, with emoluments to Frederick the Great when that monarch of income, personal comfort, mercantile standing and public influence suited to the advanced station. Others follow an erratic star, which holds them here until it shall be pleased to resume its adventurous couse. Some have been lured by figures, among the agricultural class by assisting | learning after arrival that a dollar is less than one-tenth of a sovereign, and will not buy much above one-tenth as much fresh ground in new industrial directions and that for clerkship and like service Asiatic labor is as good as any other and offers itself abundantly for less than half house shows that he understands a nation | the European price. The settlement holds many who drift in on expired contracts, for which no one cares to suggest renewal. the one who has been placed in sovereign | Employers talk of the difficulty of procuring European help, and of the annoyance of having to put up with the native artiinspires a Von Buelow to assert her con- cle, yet no condition can be less enviable than that of the European out of a job. European help may be wanted, but its price is one drawback, and another may be found in the reluctance of one employer to hire a man whom another employer has let go. Eagerness to employ here, as elsewhere, applies very often to those already engaged and secure in place. When the security relaxes profession and practice develop

NAME WITH A FITNESS. Men well meaning but luckless, who dis-

cover that a multiplicity of references from employes who have had enough of them are read in offices in which they are presented as proof of general incompetence, must be well grounded morally to with-I drank the stuff and then she let me back down with him right there and sold him a stand the shock. Singapore means, in Maon the pillow. 'There,' she said, 'I'll bring bill of goods a mile long. And that's all lay, a place to stop over for bait. While it enjoys the characteristics essential to permanency, its location draws to it probdon't have to," said another of the quar- ably more of the English drift than any other settlement. Place hunters may come "Well, you see me drinking nothing but in as easily from Borneo, the Dutch Indies soon I am going to make a trip to a neigh- 30-cent one, a dead one. 'The doctor is pop, and if you happen to be in C-next and India as from unwelcoming ports along boring city and present these badges of about due in this ward now,' the nurse said | Monday you'll see me going to the hospital | the China coast. The definition thus ac-

> Effects of the unhappy conclusion that "Let's see, you're not married, are you?" | there is no profit in being overscrupulous "No; not yet, but I haven't taken any have been too widely observed to require glish houses: "I do not want a better man than my Chinese manager to work for me. I believe he is absolutely loyal and watches eye, he failed to do that man in the eye die, or if it lives it remains in a "comatose" | fined his eye-doing to men who tried to

This testimony comes from the top. Pracbad debts. Anyone whose appearance is prey as soon as the mouse ceases to move. not devoid of carrying quality may be a lord for some time in Singapore by signing chits for goods delivered. When a chitsigner fails to pay, and collectors can make no impression on him, paying must make good the loss. Shopkeepers debts. The other way is simpler.

HIGH LIVING ON SMALL PAY. Notions such as these regarding means of getting on naturally run the gamut with extra stretches which their elasticity develops. Drives from the town in for a family may have its own main road through a bower of trees. Dwellnot uncommon which looks good enough for a family with an income of from £2,000 to £3,000 per year. Each has a stable with at least two Malays to keep fairly modest properties there looking presentable; there must be a cook and helper, two or three common servants and as many house boys. Clerks drawing from £15 to £20 per month seems to concern them less than it does other people. They usually start out with a mess or with enough boarders to provide for immediate expenses. If the mess crumbles or boarders quit, and there is not money to make up the shortage, chits are likes to hold the paper of white Singa-